Form PCT/ISA/210 (second sheet) (July 1998)

International application No. PCT/KR 00/00760

		PCT/KR 00/00760	)			
CL	ASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER	<u> </u>				
IPC7:	IPC <sup>7</sup> : G 02 B 27/22, 27/24; G 03 B 21/56					
Accordin	ng to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both n	national classification and IPC				
B. FIE	ELDS SEARCHED  n documentation searched (classification system follower					
1		- '				
Documer	G 02 B 27/22, 27/24, $5/04$ ; G 03 B 21/5 ntation searched other than minimum documentation to the	De extent that such documents are included in	n the fields seasohed			
		ic extent that such documents are included t	if the fields searched			
Electroni	ic data base consulted during the international search (nar	ne of data base and, where practicable, sear	ch terms used)			
EPOC	QUE (WPI, EPODOC)					
C. DO	CUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT					
Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropria	te, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.			
А	JP 09 274159 A (TOPPAN PRINTING (21.10.97) figs. 1-4.	G CO.) 21 Octōber 1997	1,2,13			
А	A US 5064273 A (LEE) 12 November 1991 (12.11.91) column 3, line 19 - column 5, line 9.					
А	A DE 2248873 A (CANON) 12 April 1973 (12.04.73) figs. 2-5, page 4, line 10 - page 5, line 6.					
А	A US 4390239 A (HUBER) 28 June 1983 (28.06.83) abstract, column 3, line 11 - column 4, line 68.					
	<del></del>					
Furt	ther documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.	See patent family annex.				
SpeciaA docum considE earlier filingL docum cited to speciaO docum meansP docum	al categories of cited documents: nent defining the general state of the art which is not lered to be of particular relevance application or patent but published on or after the international date ent which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is o establish the publication date of another citation or other il reason (as specified) nent referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other	"T" later document published after the internation date and not in conflict with the application the principle or theory underlying the invertible account of particular relevance; the claim considered novel or cannot be considered to when the document is taken alone "Y" document of particular relevance; the claim considered to involve an inventive step who combined with one or more other such document of being obvious to a person skilled in the art "&" document member of the same patent family	to but cited to understand stion ned invention cannot be privote an inventive step ned invention cannot be en the document is urments, such combination			
	e actual completion of the international search	Date of mailing of the international search report				
	9 October 2000 (09.10.2000)	13 February 2001 (13.02.2001)				
	i mailing adress of the ISA/AT	Authorized officer				
	n Patent Office arkt 8-10; A-1014 Vienna	GRONAU				
	No. 1/53424/535	Telephone No. 1/53424/320				
		Telephone No. 1/53424/320				

## PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

_	•	┪.	•
$\boldsymbol{L}$			

## **NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION**

(PCT Rule 61.2)

## From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

10:

Commissioner
US Department of Commerce
United States Patent and Trademark
Office, PCT
2011 South Clark Place Room
CP2/5C24
Arlington, VA 22202

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 15 March 2001 (15.03.01)	in its capacity as elected Office		
International application No. PCT/KR00/00760	Applicant's or agent's file reference		
International filing date (day/month/year) 13 July 2000 (13.07.00)	Priority date (day/month/year) 13 July 1999 (13.07.99)		
Applicant			
SON, Jung, Young et al			

1.	The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:	
	X in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on:	
	31 January 2001 (31.01.01)	
	in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:	
2.	The election X was	
	was not	
	made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).	

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland **Authorized officer** 

Juan Cruz

Telephone No.: (41-22) 338.83.38

Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35

	From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU		
PCT	То:		
NOTIFICATION OF THE RECORDING OF A CHANGE  (PCT Rule 92bis.1 and Administrative Instructions, Section 422)  Date of mailing (day/month/year) 23 February 2001 (23.02.01)	LEE, Jong, II #904 BYC Building 648-1, Yeoksam-dong Kangnam-gu Seoul 135-080 RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE		
Applicant's or agent's file reference	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION		
International application No. PCT/KR00/00760	International filing date (day/month/year) 13 July 2000 (13.07.00)		
The following indications appeared on record concerning:      X the applicant      X the inventor	the agent the common representative		
Name and Address  LEE, Hyun, Soo #102-502, Hytsu Apt Sagen-dong Sungdong-gu Seoul 133-060 Republic of Korea	State of Nationality State of Residence KR KR  Telephone No.  Facsimile No.  Teleprinter No.		
2. The International Bureau hereby notifies the applicant that the the person X the name the add			
Name and Address  LEE, Hyuk, Soo #102-502, Hytsu Apt Sagen-dong Sungdong-gu Seoul 133-060 Republic of Korea	State of Nationality KR KR Telephone No.  Facsimile No.  Teleprinter No.		
3. Further observations, if necessary:			
4. A copy of this notification has been sent to:  X the receiving Office  X the International Searching Authority  the International Preliminary Examining Authority	X the designated Offices concerned the elected Offices concerned other:		
The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland	Elisabeth KÖNIG		

003859480

Telephone No.: (41-22) 338.83.38

Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35

# PA' JT COOPERATION TREAT'

	From the	INTERNATIONAL BU	JREAU
PCT	To:		
NOTIFICATION OF THE RECORDING OF A CHANGE  (PCT Rule 92bis.1 and Administrative Instructions, Section 422)  Date of mailing (day/month/year)	LEE, Jong, II #904 BYC Building 648-1, Yeoksam-dong Kangnam-gu Seoul 135-080 RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE		
23 February 2001 (23.02.01)			
Applicant's or agent's file reference		IMPORTANT NOTIF	FICATION
International application No. PCT/KR00/00760	1	Il filing date (day/month/yea y 2000 (13.07.00)	ar)
The following indications appeared on record concerning:      X the applicant      X the inventor    X     X	the agent		n representative
Name and Address	S	State of Nationality KR	State of Residence KR
LEE, Hyun, Soo #102-502, Hytsu Apt Sagen-dong Sungdong-gu Seoul 133-060	<del>   </del>	Telephone No.	KN
Seoul 133-060 Republic of Korea	F	acsimile No.	
	·   T	Teleprinter No.	
2. The International Bureau hereby notifies the applicant that the	ne following ch	ange has been recorded c	oncerning:
the person X the name the add	<u> </u>	the nationality	the residence
Name and Address	s	State of Nationality	State of Residence
LEE, Hyuk, Soo #102-502, Hytsu Apt	<u> </u>	KR	KR
Sagen-dong		Геlephone No.	
Sungdong-gu Seoul 133-060 Republic of Korea	F	acsimile No.	
nepublic of Koroa	<u> </u>		· .
	1 1	Feleprinter No.	
3. Further observations, if necessary:			
4. A copy of this notification has been sent to:	,		
X the receiving Office	X	the designated Offices of	concerned
X the International Searching Authority		the elected Offices conce	erned
the International Preliminary Examining Authority		other:	
	Authorized offi	ficer	
The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes		Elisabeth KÖN	NIG
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland	NI-		
Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35	Telephone No	.: (41-22) 338.83.38	



From the INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITY **PCT** Lee, Jong Il #904 BYC Bldg., 648-1, Yeoksam-dong, Kangnam-gu, Seoul, 135-080, Republic of Korea WRITTEN OPINION (PCT Rule 66) Date of mailing 19 JULY 2001 (19.07.2001) (day/month/year) months from REPLY DUE Applicant's or agent's file reference within the above date of mailing Priority date (day/month/year) International filing date (day/month/year) International application No. 13 JULY 1999 (13.07.1999) 13 ЛЛLY 2000 (13.07.2000) PCT/KR00/00760 International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC IPC7 G02B 27/22, G02B 27/24, G03B 21/56 Applicant Korea Institute of Science and Technology et al (first,etc.) drawn by this International Preliminary Examining Authority. first 1. This written opinion is the 2. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items: Basis of the opinion I П Priority Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability Ш Lack of unity of invention Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement Certain documents cited Certain defects in the international application VII Certain observations on the international application VШ The applicant is hereby invited to reply to this opinion. See the time limit indicated above. The applicant may, before the expiration of that time limit, request this Authority When? to grant an extension, see Rule 66.2(d) By submitting a written reply, accompanied, where appropriate, by amendments, according to Rule 66.3 How? For the form and the language of the amendments, see Rules 66.8 and 66.9 For an additional opportunity to submit amendments, see Rule 66.4 Also For an examiner's obligation to consider amendments and/or arguments, seeRule 66.4bis For an informal communication with the examiner, see Rule 66.6 If no reply is filed, the international preliminary examination report will be established on the basis of this opinion. The final date by which the international preliminary examination report must be established according to Rule 69.2 is: 01 DECEMBER 2001 (01.12.2001)

Name and mailing address of the IPEA/KR Korean Intellectual Property Office Government Complex-Daejeon, Dunsan-dong, Seo-gu, Daejeon Metropolitan City 302-701, Republic of Korea Facsimile No. 82-42-472-7140

Authorized officer

KIM, Hyong Chol

Telephone No. 82-42-481-5653





## WRITTEN OPINION

International aplication No.

PCT/KR00/00760

I.	Basis	s of the opinion	
1.	With	h regard to the elements of the international application:*	
	x	pages	, as originally
		he claims: pages filed pages , as amended (together with any state)	, as originally
		the drawings: pages filed pages	, as originally
		demand— the sequence listing part of the description: pages filed	, as originally
2 W	hich the	/ith rsgard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.  hese elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).  the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).  the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 48.3(b)).	which
3	dra	Vith regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the rawn on the basis of the sequence listing:  contained in the international application in printed form.  filed together with the international furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.  furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form  The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the international application as as filed has been furnished.  The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written been furnished.	ne disclosure in the
	4	The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:  the description, pages the claims, Nos. the drawings, sheet/fig  This opinion has been drawn as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box(Rule 70.2(c)).	been considered to go
t	0	Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under A	Article 14 are referred

### WRITTEN OPINION

International aplication No.

PCT/KR00/00760

V.	$V_{ m c}$ . Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial approximation $V_{ m c}$	oplicability;
	citations and explanations supporting such statement	

Statement			150
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-15	YES
	Claims		МО
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	3, 6, and 9-14	YES
• • •	Claims	1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 15	NO NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-15	YES
••	Claims		МО

### 2. Citations and explanations

- 1. The documents D1=US-A-5064273 and D2=JP-A-0918896 are referred to in this report.
- 2. D1(figures 1 and 2A) discloses a projector with a screen (1) and a prism panel (5), where the prism panel is a lenticular lens of various shapes of prism cells and directs image beam into a desired angle of the field of view. D1 does not disclose 3-dimensional features. D2(figures 9 and 10) discloses a prism barrier (2) which directs stereo display image into relevant viewing zones. However, D2 does not discloses projectional features. The screen defined in claim 1 is thus considered new relative to the prior arts of D1 and D2. Since claims 2-15 are dependent claims referring back to claim 1, the screen defined in these claims are also new (Article 33(1) and (2) PCT).
- 3. The present invention defined by claims 1-15 does not describe any detailed means to achieve 3-dimensional effects other than showing Fresnel lens screen in figures 7 and 8. Therefore, the present invention is credited only for the feature of the prism panel with prism cell having a plurality of disperse surfaces. It is known in D1(figures 1 and 2A) that a projector screen (1) of lenticular lens integrated backward by a panel of prism cells which directs image beam into field-of-views at the desired angles. It is also known in D2(figure 10) that 3-dimensional display can be directed at several different angles by prism panel (2). Therefore, it is obvious that the prism panel is adaptable for 3-dimensional projection screen. For the above reasons, claim 1 does not appear to be inventive.

Claims 2 and 4 delimits the thickness of the screen in a negative and indefinite way so that the defined thickness is considered to fall in the usual range. It is usually known that each lenti is comparable in size to pixel as shown, for example, in D2. Therefore, claims 5 and 7 do not appear to be inventive. Claim 8 defines cross-sectional shapes of prism cells that are disclosed in or easily modified from D1 and D2. It is known from D2 the angle between disperse surfaces is near to 180 degrees. Therefore, claim 15 does not appear to be inventive.

In consequence, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 15 appear to lack an inventive step (Article 33(1) and (3) PCT).



## WRITTEN OPINION



International aplication No.

PCT/KR00/00760

he following defects in the	form or contents of the international application have been noted:
teference signs in parenthe	ses should have been inserted in the claims to increase their intelligibility (Rule 6.2(b) PCT).





International aplication No.

PCT/KR00/00760

## VIII. Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

"3-dimentional" appeared in the title, the description, and the claims must be corrected as "3-dimensional" (Rule 91.1(d) PCT).

The description does not disclose the invention per claims 5-7, 10, 11, and 13 in such terms that the technical problem and its solution can be understood and does not clearly state the possibly advantageous effects of the invention (Rule 5.1 (a) (iii) PCT).

Claims 8 and 12 are not clear and concise due to unnecessary "etc." (Article 6 PCT).

The description does not describe any detailed means to render the screen, as claimed, 3-dimensional other than showing Fresnel lens screen in figures 7 and 8. Therefore, the 3-dimensional imaging screen in the claims are not fully supported by the description (Article 6 PCT).

Claim 1 is vague, since it is illogical that a screen projects an object on the screen or a screen comprises the same screen (Article 6 PCT).

PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

# **PCT**

## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference		ansmittal of International Search Report as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
nternational application No.	International filing date (day/month/year)	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year)
PCT/KR 00/00760	13 July 2000 (13.07.2000)	13 July 1999 (13.07.1999)
Applicant		
Korea Institute of Science a	ind Technology et al.	
This international search report has baccording to Article 18. A copy is be	een prepared by this International Searching ing transmitted to the International Bureau.	Authority and is transmitted to the applicant
This international search report cons	ists of a total of 4 sheets.	
It is also accompa	nied by a copy of each prior art document ci	ited in this report.
language in which it was	filed, unless otherwise indicated under this it	
Authority (Rule 23.1)	(b)).	n of the international application furnished to this
<ul> <li>b. With regard to any nucleo search was carried out on</li> </ul>	tide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed the basis of the sequence listing:	in the international application, the international
contained in the inter	national application in written form.	
filed together with th	e international application in computer reada	ble form.
furnished subsequent	ly to this Authority in written form.	•
furnished subsequent	ly to this Authority in computer readable for	m.
the statement that the international application a	subsequently furnished written sequence lis stiled has been furnished.	ting does not go beyond the disclosure in the
the statement that the been furnished.	information recorded in computer readable	form is identical to the written sequence listing has
2. Certain claims were	e found unsearchable (See Box I).	4
3. Unity of invention i	s lacking (See Box II).	
4. With regard to the title.		
the text is approved	as submitted by the applicant.	
the text has been esta 3-dimensiona	ablished by this Authority to read as follows: I imaging screen for multi-viewer	
5. With regard to the abstract.		:
	as submitted by the applicant.	
the text has been est within one month fr	ablished, according to Rule $38.2(b)$ , by this $A$ om the date of mailing of this international so	Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant mage earch report, submit comments to this Authority.
6. The figure of the drawings to	be published with the abstract is Figure No.	
as suggested by the	applicant.	None of the figures.
because the applican	nt failed to suggest a tigure.	
because this figure	petter characterizes the invention.	

International application No. PCT/KR 00/00760

Box III TEXT OF THE ABSTRACT (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

The present invention employs a beam dividing prism corresponding to a size of a single pixel on a screen in order to create a plurality of viewing zones for multi-viewer, in which a prism panel (66) having an 1-dimensional or 2-dimensional arrangement of a prism cell (68) for dispersing beam in various directions is coupled to the 3-dimensional image projection screen (64) in order to increase the number of the viewing zones, and in which the number and position of the available viewing zones (72,73,74) are determined by the number and a relative position of disperse surfaces (69,70,71) in the prism cell (68). By using the present invention, the desired number of the viewing zones (72,73,74) can be created by selectively adopting the prism cells (68), so realizing the 3-dimensional image display system for multi-viewer.

International application No. PCT/KR 00/00760

	INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REFORT	PCT/KR 00/00760					
CLA	ASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER						
IPC <sup>7</sup> : G	IPC <sup>7</sup> : G 02 B 27/22, 27/24; G 03 B 21/56						
According	According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC						
B. FIE							
1	6 02 B 27/22, 27/24, 5/04; G 03 B 21/56	y classification symbols,					
Documen	tation searched other than minimum documentation to the	extent that such documents are included in	n the fields searched				
		S des best and whose province his con-	ph tarms used)				
	data base consulted during the international search (name	of data base and, where practicable, search	ch terms useu)				
EPOQ	UE (WPI, EPODOC)						
C. DO	CUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT	1000					
Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate,	, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.				
А	JP 09 274159 A (TOPPAN PRINTING CO.) 21 October 1997 1,2,13 (21.10.97) figs. 1-4.						
A	US 5064273 A (LEE) 12 November 1991 (12.11.91) 1-3,13 column 3, line 19 - column 5, line 9.						
А	DE 2248873 A (CANON) 12 April 1973 figs. 2-5, page 4, line 10 - page 5, line	1,2					
A	US 4390239 A (HUBER) 28 June 1983 (28.06.83) abstract, column 3, line 11 - column 4, line 68.		1,2,8,12,13				
Fur	ther documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.	See patent family annex.					
A" docur consider E" earlie filing L" docur cited specia O" docur mean P" docur the pi	ment which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is to establish the publication date of another citation or other all reason (as specified) ment referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other as the published prior to the international filing date but later than the riority date claimed	"T" later document published after the internal date and not in conflict with the application the principle or theory underlying the inv. X" document of particular relevance; the class considered novel or cannot be considered when the document is taken alone "Y" document of particular relevance; the class considered to involve an inventive step when the document of particular relevance; the class considered to involve an inventive step when the same of the same patent farms. W" document member of the same patent farms.	on but cited to understand ention imed invention cannot be to involve an inventive step imed invention cannot be when the document is occuments, such combination and				
Date of the actual completion of the international search		Date of mailing of the international search report  13 February 2001 (13.02.2001)					
Name an	9 October 2000 (09.10.2000) ad mailing address of the ISA/AT	Authorized officer					
Austri	an Patent Office	GRONAU					
	narkt 8-10; A-1014 Vienna	Tulanhana No. 1/53424/320					

Telephone No. 1/53424/320

Information on patent family members

International application No. PCT/KR 00/00760

		document cited search report	Publication date		Patent f membe		Publication date
DΕ	Al	2248873	12-04-1973	GВ	A	1403783	20-08-1975
DE	32	2248873	11-01-1979	JP	A2	48043629	23-06-1973
DE	C3	2248873	30-08-1979	บร	A	4078854	14-03-1978
JP	A	09274159				none	
		A2					
US	A	4390239	28-06-1983	AT	Ξ	5921	15-02-1984
-	••	7.2.2.2.2.2		DE	Al	3018449	19-11-1981
				DE	C2	3018449	05-01-1983
				ΞP	A2	39768	18-11-1981
				ÉP	A3	39768	25-11-1981
				EP	В1	39768	18-01-1984
				JP	A2	57006833	13-01-1982
US	A	5064273	12-11-1991	KR	Yl	9201308	22-02-1992

# PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY	DCT				
To:	PCT				
LEE, Jong Il	NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF				
#904, BYC Building	THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT				
648-1, Yeoksam-dong,	OR THE DECLARATION				
Kangnam-ku					
Seoul 135-080	(PCT Rule 44.1)				
Republic of Korea	,				
	Date of mailing (day/month/year) 13 February 2001 (13.02.01)				
Applicant's or agent's file reference	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION				
International application No.	International filing date (day/month/year)				
PCT/ KR 00/00760	13 July 2000 (13.07.00)				
Applicant					
Korea Institute of Science and Technology et al.					
Rolea histitute of Science and Technology et al.					
1. Z The applicant is hereby notified that the international search	report has been established and is transmitted herewith.				
Filing of amendments and statements under Article 19:					
The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the clain	ns of the international application (see Rule 46):				
AND O THE SECOND CONTRACTOR OF THE SECOND CONT	is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international				
search report; however, for more details, see	the notes on the accompanying sheet.				
Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIP	0				
34, chemin des Colombettes					
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland					
Facsimile No.: (41-22) 740.14.35  For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.					
2. The applicant is hereby notified that no international search that effect is transmitted herewith.	will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to				
3. With regard to the protest against payment of (an) initial	fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:				
the protest together with the decision thereon has been	transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's				
request to forward the text of both the protest decision no decision has been made yet on the protest; the appli	thereon to the designated Offices				
4. Further action(s): The applicant is reminded of the following:					
Shortly after 18 months from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90bis. 1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.					
Within 19 months from the priority date, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant whishes to postpone the entry into the national phase until 30 months from the priority date (in some Offices even later).					
Within 20 month from the priority date, the applicant must perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before all					
Within 20 month from the priority date, the applicant must perform the prescribed acts for entry into the handonar phase octors and designated Offices which have not been elected in the demand or in a later election within 19 months from the priority date or could not be elected because they are not bound by Chapter II.					
No and mailing address of the IDEA/AT	Authorized officer				
Name and mailing address of the IPEA/AT	1.444.444.444.444.444.444.444.444.444.4				
Austrian Patent Office	Koch				
Kohlmarkt 8-10	Kocn				
A-1014 Vienna Facsimile No. 1/53424/200	Telephone No. 142 / 1 / 52404 450				
racsimile No. 1/33424/200	Telephone No. +43 / 1 / 53424 - 450				

#### NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under Article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the PCT Applicant's Guide, a publication of WIPO.

In these Notes, "Article," "Rule" and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

### INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only.

## What parts of the international application may be amended?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

When? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

## Where not to file the amendments?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet must be submitted for each sheet of the claims which, on account of an amendment or amendments, differs from the sheet originally filed.

All the claims appearing on a replacement sheet must be numbered in Arabic numerals. Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively (Administrative Instructions, Section 205(b)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

### What documents must/may accompany the amendments?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.



## **PCT**

## NOTIFICATION CONCERNING SUBMISSION OR TRANSMITTAL OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

(PCT Administrative Instructions, Section 411)

# From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

LEE, Jong, II #904 BYC Building 648-1, Yeoksam-dong Kangnam-ku Seoul 135-080 RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE



Date of mailing (day/month/year) 15 November 2000 (15.11.00)	18121	
Applicant's or agent's file reference	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION	
International application No. PCT/KR00/00760	International filing date (day/month/year) 13 July 2000 (13.07.00)	
International publication date (day/month/year)  Not yet published	Priority date (day/month/year) 13 July 1999 (13.07.99)	

Applicant

# KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY et al

- The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (except where the letters "NR" appear in the right-hand column) by the
  International Bureau of the priority document(s) relating to the earlier application(s) indicated below. Unless otherwise
  indicated by an asterisk appearing next to a date of receipt, or by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column, the priority
  document concerned was submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b).
- 2. This updates and replaces any previously issued notification concerning submission or transmittal of priority documents.
- 3. An asterisk(\*) appearing next to a date of receipt, in the right-hand column, denotes a priority document submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau but not in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b). In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.
- 4. The letters "NR" appearing in the right-hand column denote a priority document which was not received by the International Bureau or which the applicant did not request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau, as provided by Rule 17.1(a) or (b), respectively. In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

Priority date
Priority application No.
Country or regional Office of priority document

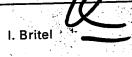
13 July 1999 (13.07.99)
Priority application No.
1999/28253

KR
Date of receipt of priority document

KR
30 Augu 2000 (30.08.00)

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Authorized officer

Telephone No. (41-22) 338.83.38



Facsimile No. (41-22) 740.14.35

## **PCT**

# INFORMATION CONCERNING ELECTED OFFICES NOTIFIED OF THEIR ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.3)

### From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To

LEE, Jong, II #904 BYC Building 648-1, Yeoksam-dong Kangnam-gu Seoul 135-080 RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE



Date of mailing (day/month/year) 15 March 2001 (15.03.01)

Applicant's or agent's file reference

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

International application No. PCT/KR00/00760

International filing date (day/month/year)
13 July 2000 (13.07.00)

Priority date (day/month/year) 13 July 1999 (13.07.99)

**Applicant** 

KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY et al

1. The applicant is hereby informed that the International Bureau has, according to Article 31(7), notified each of the following Offices of its election:

EP :AT,BE,CH,CY,DE,DK,ES,FI,FR,GB,GR,IE,IT,LU,MC,NL,PT,SE National :JP,US

2. The following Offices have waived the requirement for the notification of their election; the notification will be sent to them by the International Bureau only upon their request:

## None

3. The applicant is reminded that he must enter the "national phase" before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date before each of the Offices listed above. This must be done by paying the national fee(s) and furnishing, if prescribed, a translation of the international application (Article 39(1)(a)), as well as, where applicable, by furnishing a translation of any annexes of the international preliminary examination report (Article 36(3)(b) and Rule 74.1).

Some offices have fixed time limits expiring later than the above-mentioned time limit. For detailed information about the applicable time limits and the acts to be performed upon entry into the national phase before a particular Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

The entry into the European regional phase is postponed until 31 months from the priority date for all States designated for the purposes of obtaining a European patent.

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Authorized officer:

Juan Cruz

Telephone No. (41-22) 338.83.38



## WATENT COOPERATION TREATY

## PCT

# NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES

(PCT Rule 47.1(c), first sentence)

## From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:
LEE, Jong, II
#904 BYC Building
648-1, Yeoksam-dong
Kangnam-gu
Seoul 135-080
RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE

Date of mailing (day/month/year)
18 January 2001 (18.01.01)

Applicant's or agent's file reference

IMPORTANT NOTICE

International application No. PCT/KR00/00760

International filing date (day/month/year)
13 July 2000 (13.07.00)

Priority date (day/month/year)
13 July 1999 (13.07.99)

Applicant

KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY et al

 Notice is hereby given that the international sureau has communicated, as provided in Article 20, the international application to the following designated Offices on the date indicated above as the date of mailing of this Notice: US

in socordance with Rule 47.1(c), third sentence, those Offices will accept the present Notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

2. The following designated Offices have waived the requirement for such a communication at this time: EP\_JP

The communication will be made to those Offices only upon their request. Furthermore, those Offices do not require the applicant to furnish a dopy of the international application (Rule 49.1(e-bis)).

3. Enclosed with this Notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on 18 January 2001 (18,01.01) under No. WO 01/04666

## REMINDER REGARDING CHAPTER II (Article 31(2)(a) and Rule 54.2)

If the applicant wishes to postpone entry into the national phase until 30 months (or later in some Offices) from the priority date, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed with the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority before the expiration of 18 months from the priority date.

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to monitor the 19-month time limit.

Note that only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination.

## REMINDER REGARDING ENTRY INTO THE NATIONAL PHASE (Article 22 or 39(1))

If the applicant wishes to proceed with the international application in the national phase, he must, within 20 months or 30 months, or later in some Offices, perform the acts referred to therein before each designated or elected Offices.

For further important information on the time limits and acts to be performed for entering the national phase, see the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 (Notification of Receipt of Record Copy) and Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

The international Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Authorized officer

J. Zahra

Facsimile No. (41-22) 740.14.35

Telephone No. (41-22) 338.83.38

## **PCT**

# NOTIFICATION OF RECEIPT OF RECORD COPY

(PCT Rule 24.2(a))

## From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

To:

LEE, Jong, II #904 BYC Building 648-1, Yeoksam-dong Kangnam-ku Seoul 135-080 RÉPUBLIQUE DE CORÉE



Date of mailing (day/month/year) 22 August 2000 (22.08.00)	IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION		
Applicant's or agent's file reference	International application No. PCT/KR00/00760		

The applicant is hereby notified that the International Bureau has received the record copy of the international application as detailed below.

Name(s) of the applicant(s) and State(s) for which they are applicants:

KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (for all designated States except US) SON, Jung, Young et al (for US)

International filing date

13 July 2000 (13.07.00)

Priority date(s) claimed

13 July 1999 (13.07.99)

Date of receipt of the record copy by the International Bureau

04 August 2000 (04.08.00)

List of designated Offices

EP:AT,BE,CH,CY,DE,DK,ES,FI,FR,GB,GR,IE,IT,LU,MC,NL,PT,SE

National :JP,US

## **ATTENTION**

The applicant should carefully check the data appearing in this Notification. In case of any discrepancy between these data and the indications in the international application, the applicant should immediately inform the International Bureau.

In addition, the applicant's attention is drawn to the information contained in the Annex, relating to:

X time limits for entry into the national phase

X confirmation of precautionary designations

requirements regarding priority documents

A copy of this Notification is being sent to the receiving Office and to the International Searching Authority.

The International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Authorized officer:

Anman:QIU

andr

Facsimile No. (41-22) 740.14.35

Telephone No. (41-22) 338.83.38

## (12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

# (19) World Intellectual Property Organization International Bureau



# 

## (43) International Publication Date 18 January 2001 (18.01.2001)

## **PCT**

# (10) International Publication Number WO 01/04665 A3

(51) International Patent Classification<sup>7</sup>: G02B 27/22, 27/24, G03B 21/56

(21) International Application Number: PCT/KR00/00760

(22) International Filing Date: 13 July 2000 (13.07.2000)

(25) Filing Language:

English

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data:

1999/28253

13 July 1999 (13.07.1999) KR

(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY [KR/KR]; #39-1 Hawolgok-dong, Sunbuk-gu, Seoul 136-791 (KR).

(72) Inventors; and

(75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only): SON, Jung, Young [KR/KR]; #301-201, Hayanmaeul Grand Villd, 111, Gumi-dong, Bundang-gu, Sungnam-City,

Kyeongki-do 463-500 (KR). SMIRNOV, Vadim V. [RU/RU]; Tusukrovsi Avenue. 1/13-321, Saimt-Fetervruge (RU). LEE, Hyuk, Soo [KR/KR]; #102-502. Hytsu Apt, Sagen-dong, Sungdong-gu, Seoul 133-060 (KR).

(74) Agent: LEE, Jong, II; #904 BYC Building. 648-1, Yeok-sam-dong, Kangnam-gu, Seoul 135-080 (KR).

(81) Designated States (national): JP, US.

(84) Designated States (regional): European patent (AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE).

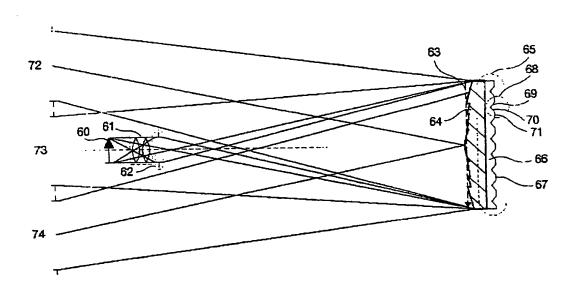
#### Published:

with international search report

(88) Date of publication of the international search report:
9 August 2001

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

(54) Title: 3-DIMENSIONAL IMAGING SCREEN FOR MULTI-VIEWER



(57) Abstract: The present invention employs a beam dividing prism corresponding to a size of a single pixel on a screen in order to create a plurality of viewing zones for multi-viewer, in which a prism panel (66) having a 1-dimensional or 2-dimensional arrangement of a prism cell (68) for dispersing beam in various directions is coupled to the 3-dimensional image projection screen (64) in order to increase the number of the viewing zones, and in which the number and position of the available viewing zones (72, 73, 74) are determined by the number and a relative position of disperse surfaces (69, 70, 71) in the prism cell (68). By using the present invention, the desired number of the viewing zones (72, 73, 74) can be created by selectively adopting the prism cells (68), so realizing the 3-dimensional image display system for multi-viewer.

01/04665

### (12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

## (19) World Intellectual Property Organization International Bureau



# 

# (43) International Publication Date 18 January 2001 (18.01.2001)

## **PCT**

# (10) International Publication Number WO 01/04665 A2

(51) International Patent Classification:

\_\_\_\_\_

(21) International Application Number: PCT/KR00/00760

(22) International Filing Date: 13 July 2000 (13.07.2000)

(25) Filing Language:

English

G02B

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data:

1999/28253

13 July 1999 (13.07.1999) KR

(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY [KR/KR]; #39-1 Hawolgok-dong, Sunbuk-gu, Seoul 136-791 (KR).

(72) Inventors; and

(75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only): SON, Jung, Young [KR/KR]; #301-201, Hayanmaeul Grand

Villd, 111. Gumi-dong, Bundang-gu, Sungnam-City, Kyeongki-do 463-500 (KR). SMIRNOV, Vadim V. [RU/RU]: Tusukrovsi Avenue, 1/13-321, Saimt-Fetervruge (RU). LEE, Hyun, Soo [KR/KR]; #102-502, Hytsu Apt, Sagen-dong, Sungdong-gu, Seoul 133-060 (KR).

(74) Agent: LEE, Jong, II: #904 BYC Building, 648-1. Yeoksam-dong, Kangnam-gu. Seoul 135-080 (KR).

(81) Designated States (national): JP. US.

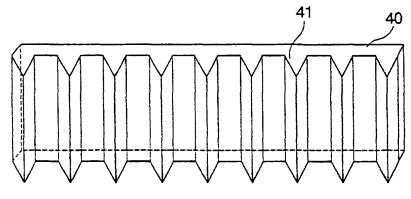
(84) Designated States (regional): European patent (AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE).

#### Published:

 Without international search report and to be republished upon receipt of that report.

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

(54) Title: 3-DIMENSIONAL IMAGING SCREEN FOR MULTI-VIEWER



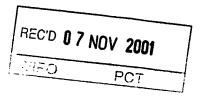
(57) Abstract: The present invention employs a beam dividing prism corresponding to a size of a single pixel on a screen in order to create a plurality of viewing zones for multi-viewer, in which a prism panel having a 1-dimensional or 2-dimensional arrangement of a prism cell for dispersing beam in various directions is coupled to the 3-dimensional image projection screen in order to increase the number of the viewing zones, and in which the number and position of the available viewing zones are determined by the number and a relative position of disperse surfaces in the prism cell. By using the present invention, the desired number of the viewing zones can be created by selectively adopting the prism cells, so realizing the 3-dimensional image display system for multi-viewer.



## **COPY FOR IB**

# PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

# **PCT**



# INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Artcle 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference	FOR FURTHER ACTION		ofTransmittalofInternationalPreliminary port (Form PCT/IPEA/416)
International application No.	International filing date (day/m	onth/vear)	Priority date (day/month/year)
PCT/KR00/00760	13 JULY 2000 (13.07.2000)	,	13 JULY 1999 (13.07.1999)
International Patent Classification (IPC)		C	,
IPC7 G02B 27/22, G02B 27/24, G			
Applicant			
Korea Institute of Science and Technolo	gy et al		•
This international preliminary exa and is transmitted to the applicant		ared by this Interna	tional Preliminary Examining Authority
2. This REPORT consists of a total of	of 5 sheets, incl	iding this cover she	et.
amended and are the basis for	inied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets or this report and/or sheets cor e Administrative Instructions un	taining rectification	claims and/or drawings which have been s made before this Authority (see Rule
These annexes consist of a total of	of sheets.		
3. This report contains indications re	elating to the following items:		
I Basis of the report II Priority III Non-establishment of	of opinion with regard to novelty	, inventive step and	industrial applicability
IV Lack of unity of inve	ention		
	under Article 35(2) with regardations supporting such statemen		ve step or industrial applicability;
VI Certain documents of	ited		er er er er
VII Certain defects in the	e international application		
VIII X Certain observations	on the international application	ı	
Date of submission of the demand	Date	of completion of the	nis report
31 JANUARY 2001 (31.01.2001		22 OCTOBER	2001 (22.10.2001)
Name and mailing address of the IPEA/N	KR Aut	norized officer	Constant
Korean Intellectual Property Office Government Complex-Daejeon, Dunsar Metropolitan City 302-701, Republic of	n-dong, Seo-gu, Daejeon	KIM, Hyong Cho	
Facsimile No. 82-42-472-7140	l	phone No. 82-42-	481-5653



## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International aplication No.
PCT/KR00/00760

I.	Basis	s of the report	
1.	With	regard to the elements of the international application:*	
	X	the international application as originally filed	
		the description:	, as originally filed
		pages pages	, filed with the demand
		pages, filed with the letter of	
		the claims:	, as originally filed
		pages , as amended (together with any	statment) under Article 19
		pages , filed with the letter of	, filed with the demand
	_		
	Ш	the drawings: pages	, as originally filed
		pages	, filed with the demand
		pages, filed with the letter of	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Ш	the sequence listing part of the description: pages	_ , as originally filed
		pages	, filed with the demand
		pages, filed with the letter of	
2.	the	h regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authori international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item. se elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language	ty in the language in which which is
		the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.10) the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)). the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examina or 55.3).	
3.		th regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application discountries. It is a sequence listing:	tion, the international
	П	contained inthe international application in written form.	
		filed together with the international application in computer readable form.	
		furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.	
		furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form	
		The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyon international applicationas as filed has been furnished.  The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written been furnished.	
4.		The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:	
		the description, pages	
		the claims, Nos.	
		the drawings, sheet	
5.		This opinion has been drawn as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box(Rule 70.2(c)).**	have been considered to go
*	in th	acement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation unde is opinion as "originally filed." and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain a 70.17).	er Article 14 are referred to Immendments (Rules 70.16
**	Any	replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item I and annexed to t	his report.

### INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

International aplication-No.

PCT/KR00/00760

V.	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
	citations and explanations supporting such statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-15	YES
	Claims	None	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	3, 6, and 9-14	YES
·	Claims	1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 15	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-15	YES
	Claims	None	NO

- 2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)
  - 1. The documents D1=US-A-5064273 and D2=JP-A-0918896 are referred to in this report.
  - 2. D1(figures 1 and 2A) discloses a projector with a screen (1) and a prism panel (5), where the prism panel is a lenticular lens of various shapes of prism cells and directs image beam into a desired angle of the field of view. D1 does not disclose 3-dimensional features. D2(figures 9 and 10) discloses a prism barrier (2) which directs stereo display image into relevant viewing zones. However, D2 does not discloses projectional features. The screen defined in claim 1 is thus considered new relative to the prior arts of D1 and D2. Since claims 2-15 are dependent claims referring back to claim 1, the screen defined in these claims are also new (Article 33(1) and (2) PCT).
  - 3. The present invention defined by claims 1-15 does not describe any detailed means to achieve 3-dimensional effects other than showing Fresnel lens screen in figures 7 and 8. Therefore, the present invention is credited only for the feature of the prism panel with prism cells having a plurality of disperse surfaces. It is known in D1(figures 1 and 2A) that a projector screen (1) of Fresnel lens can be integrated on the back side by a panel of prism cells that have a plurality of disperse surfaces which direct image beam into field-of-views at the desired angles. It is also known in D2(figure 10) that 3-dimensional display can be directed at several different angles by prism panel (2). Therefore, it is obvious that the prism panel formed with prism cells having a plurality of disperse surfaces is adaptable for 3-dimensional projection screen. For the above reasons, claim 1 does not appear to be inventive.

Claims 2 and 4 delimit the thickness of the screen in a negative and indefinite way so that the delimited thickness is considered to fall within the usual range. It is usually known that each lenti is comparable in size to pixel as shown, for example, in D2. Therefore, claims 5 and 7 do not appear to be inventive. Claim 8 defines cross-sectional shapes of prism cells that are disclosed in or easily modified from D1 and D2. It is known from D2 the angle between disperse surfaces is near to 180 degrees. Therefore, claim 15 does not appear to be inventive.

In consequence, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 15 appear to lack an inventive step (Article 33(1) and (3) PCT).



## INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

International aplication No.

PCT/KR00/00760

VII. Certain defects in the international application			
The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:			
Reference signs in parentheses should have been inserted in the claims to increase their intelligibility (Rule 6.2(b) PCT).			
	Ì		
	e e e e e e e e e		
		•	
		• •	



h. mational aplication No.

PCT/KR00/00760

VIII. Certi	ain observations	on the internation	ial application
-------------	------------------	--------------------	-----------------

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

"3-dimentional" appeared in the title, the description, and the claims must be corrected as "3-dimensional" (Rule 91.1(d) PCT).

The description does not disclose the invention per claims 5-7, 10, 11, and 13 in such terms that the technical problem and its solution can be understood and does not clearly state the possibly advantageous effects of the invention (Rule 5.1 (a) (iii) PCT).

Claims 8 and 12 are not clear and concise due to unnecessary " etc." (Article 6 PCT).

The description does not describe any detailed means to render the screen, as claimed, 3-dimensional other than showing Fresnel lens screen in figures 7 and 8. Therefore, the 3-dimensional imaging screen in the claims are not fully supported by the description (Article 6 PCT).

Claim 1 is vague, since the claim is illogical in stating that a screen projects an object on the same screen and a screen comprises the same screen (Article 6 PCT).

## (12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

## (19) World Intellectual Property Organization International Bureau



# 

## (43) International Publication Date 18 January 2001 (18.01.2001)

### PCT

## (10) International Publication Number WO 01/04665 A3

(51) International Patent Classification7: 27/24, G03B 21/56

G02B 27/22,

Kyeongki-do 463-500 (KR). SMIRNOV, Vadim V. [RU/RU]; Tusukrovsi Avenue, 1/13-321, Saimt-Fetervruge (RU). LEE, Hyuk, Soo [KR/KR]; #102-502, Hytsu Apt,

(21) International Application Number: PCT/KR00/00760

(74) Agent: LEE, Jong, II; #904 BYC Building, 648-1, Yeoksam-dong, Kangnam-gu, Seoul 135-080 (KR).

Sagen-dong, Sungdong-gu, Seoul 133-060 (KR).

(22) International Filing Date:

13 July 2000 (13.07.2000)

(81) Designated States (national): JP, US.

(25) Filing Language:

English

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data: 1999/28253

13 July 1999 (13.07.1999) KR (84) Designated States (regional): European patent (AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE).

(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Published:

with international search report

[KR/KR]; #39-1 Hawolgok-dong, Sunbuk-gu, Seoul 136-791 (KR).

(88) Date of publication of the international search report:

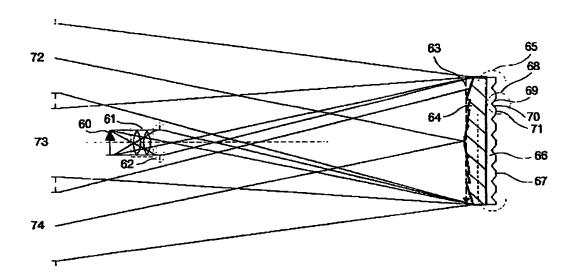
9 August 2001

(72) Inventors; and

(75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only): SON. Jung. Young [KR/KR]; #301-201, Hayanmaeul Villd, 111, Gumi-dong, Bundang-gu, Sungnam-City,

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

(54) Title: 3-DIMENSIONAL IMAGING SCREEN FOR MULTI-VIEWER



(57) Abstract: The present invention employs a beam dividing prism corresponding to a size of a single pixel on a screen in order to create a plurality of viewing zones for multi-viewer, in which a prism panel (66) having a 1-dimensional or 2-dimensional arrangement of a prism cell (68) for dispersing beam in various directions is coupled to the 3-dimensional image projection screen (64) in order to increase the number of the viewing zones, and in which the number and position of the available viewing zones (72, 73, 74) are determined by the number and a relative position of disperse surfaces (69, 70, 71) in the prism cell (68). By using the present invention, the desired number of the viewing zones (72, 73, 74) can be created by selectively adopting the prism cells (68), so realizing the 3-dimensional image display system for multi-viewer.



International application No. PCT/KR 00/00760

## CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC<sup>7</sup>: G 02 B 27/22, 27/24; G 03 B 21/56

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC7: G 02 B 27/22, 27/24, 5/04; G 03 B 21/56

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

## **EPOQUE (WPI, EPODOC)**

Category	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No
Α	JP 09 274159 A (TOPPAN PRINTING CO.) 21 October 1997 (21.10.97) figs. 1-4.	1,2,13
Α	US 5064273 A (LEE) 12 November 1991 (12.11.91) column 3, line 19 - column 5, line 9.	1-3,13
Α	DE 2248873 A (CANON) 12 April 1973 (12.04.73) figs. 2-5, page 4, line 10 - page 5, line 6.	1,2
Α	US 4390239 A (HUBER) 28 June 1983 (28.06.83) abstract, column 3, line 11 - column 4, line 68.	1,2,8,12,13

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.	See patent family annex.
* Special categories of cited documents: "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance "E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date "L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified) "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed	"T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention "X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art ",&" document member of the same patent family
Date of the actual completion of the international search	Date of mailing of the international search report
9 October 2000 (09.10.2000)	13 February 2001 (13.02.2001)
Name and mailing adress of the ISA/AT	Authorized officer
Austrian Patent Office	GRONAU
Kohlmarkt 8-10; A-1014 Vienna	3.131710
Facsimile No. 1/53424/535	Telephone No. 1/53424/320

Form PCT/ISA/210 (second sheet) (July 1998)

Information on patent family members

International application No. PCT/KR 00/00760

	Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)			Publication date
DE	Al	2248873	12-04-1973	GB	A	1403783	20-08-1975
DE	B2	2248873	11-01-1979	JP	A2	48043629	23-06-1973
DE	С3	2248873	30-08 <b>-</b> 1979	US	Α	4078854	14-03-1978
JP	A	09274159 A2				none	
US	A	4390239	28-06-1983	AT	E	5921	15-02-1984
				DE	A1	3018449	19-11-1981
				DE	C2	3018449	05-01-1983
				EP	A2	39768	18-11-1981
				EP	A3	39768	25-11-1981
				EP	Bl	39768	18-01-1984
				JP	A2	57006833	13-01-1982
US	A	5064273	12-11-1991	KR	Y1	9201308	22-02-1992

## (12) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PUBLISHED UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

# (19) World Intellectual Property Organization International Bureau



# 

# (43) International Publication Date 18 January 2001 (18.01.2001)

### PCT

# (10) International Publication Number WO 01/04665 A2

(51) International Patent Classification7:

G02B

WO 01/04665 A2

Villd, 111, Gumi-dong, Bundang-gu, Sungnam-City,

Kyeongki-do 463-500 (KR). **SMIRNOV**, **Vadim V**. [RU/RU]; Tusukrovsi Avenue, 1/13-321, Saimt-Fetervruge

(RU). LEE, Hyun, Soo [KR/KR]; #102-502, Hytsu Apt,

Sagen-dong, Sungdong-gu, Seoul 133-060 (KR).

sam-dong, Kangnam-gu, Seoul 135-080 (KR).

(81) Designated States (national): JP, US.

(74) Agent: LEE, Jong, II; #904 BYC Building, 648-1, Yeok-

- (21) International Application Number: PCT/KR00/00760
- (22) International Filing Date:

13 July 2000 (13.07.2000)

(25) Filing Language:

English

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data: 1999/28253

13 July 1999 (13.07.1999) KR

(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): KOREA INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY [KR/KR]; #39-1 Hawolgok-dong, Sunbuk-gu, Seoul 136-791 (KR).

(84) Designated States (regional): European patent (AT, BE, CH, CY, DE, DK, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, IE, IT, LU, MC, NL, PT, SE).

## Published:

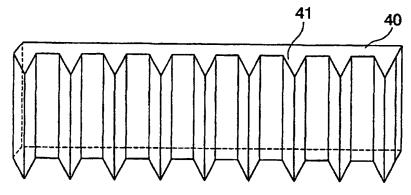
 Without international search report and to be republished upon receipt of that report.

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

(72) Inventors; and

(75) Inventors/Applicants (for US only): SON, Jung, Young [KR/KR]; #301-201, Hayanmaeul Grand

(54) Title: 3-DIMENSIONAL IMAGING SCREEN FOR MULTI-VIEWER



(57) Abstract: The present invention employs a beam dividing prism corresponding to a size of a single pixel on a screen in order to create a plurality of viewing zones for multi-viewer, in which a prism panel having a 1-dimensional or 2-dimensional arrangement of a prism cell for dispersing beam in various directions is coupled to the 3-dimensional image projection screen in order to increase the number of the viewing zones, and in which the number and position of the available viewing zones are determined by the number and a relative position of disperse surfaces in the prism cell. By using the present invention, the desired number of the viewing zones can be created by selectively adopting the prism cells, so realizing the 3-dimensional image display system for multi-viewer.



VO 01/04665 A7

## 3-DIMENTIONAL IMAGING SCREEN FOR MULTI-VIEWER

## TECHNICAL FIELD

The present invention relates to a 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer, and in particular to a 3-dimentional imaging screen for simultaneously watching a 3-dimentional image by multi-viewer without wearing glasses, in which the screen comprises a beam dividing prism corresponding to a pixel on screen, the beam dividing prism dividing an incident beam on the screen into a vertical and/or horizontal direction according to the shape thereof.

10

15

20

5

## **BACKGROLUND ART**

It has been studied about a display device with which viewers may watch a conventional 2-dimentional image, such as television image, like a 3-dimentional image. In order to watch the conventional 3-dimentional image, the viewers generally wear a pair of polarized glasses which make the 3-dimentional image, by using a visual timing difference, from the 2-dimentional images which were made by using a plurality of cameras when taking images for a television program or movie.

For an example, the US 4,559,556 discloses a system for viewing three dimentional images. The viewing system comprises a filter mat having two juxtaposed polarizing filters for placement over a television viewing screen or other rear surface projection device in substantial registry with two similarly juxtaposed and slightly different images of a common scene or subject. The polarizing filters are oriented on different axes to polarize the light from the two images on different axes. The viewer observes these polarized images through eyeglasses.

2

However, it has caused expenses and inconvenience according to the manufacturing the conventional 3-dimentional image and using glasses. In order to overcome the problems, there is developed a 3-dimentional image screen by a viewing zone recently, in which the 3-diemtional image screen by the viewing zone embodies the 3-dimentional image on the image incident screen itself, which enables a lot of viewer to watch the image without wearing the polarized glasses.

5

10

15

20

Preferably the viewing zone for displaying the 3-dimentional image should be generated as many as possible. For that reason, there is a method that a plurality of image incident devices are used as many as the viewing zones with use of such as a lenticular, a spherical reflective panel or a Fresnel lens for projecting the image. In addition, there is another method which uses a holographic screen for generating a plurality of viewing zones on a single screen.

The holographic screen uses a hologram serving as a kind of optical elements. When writing the hologram, the holographic screen writes several phases of an oriented object having diffrent direction on one hologram by multi-exposing with moving position of a photosensitive panel or the object, or with moving the position of the photosensitive panel and with changing the object itself.

The method for generating a plurality of viewing zones with use of a lenticular, a spherical reflective panel or a Fresnel lens can be easily embodied for providing the 3-dimensional image but not good in efficiency. Particularly, though it can enlarge size of screen for expanding the size of the viewing zone, the lenticular screen is still inefficient in fact that only a few viewers can watch the screen in comparison with the size of the screen.

In detail, the method for expanding size of the viewing zone with use of the

 $\tilde{3}$ 

lenticular screen may be achieved by enlarging the size of the lenticular lens and increasing the number of the images in different viewing directions. For example, assuming that a shoulder of a viewer has a width of about 40cm, the viewing zone requires at least 80cm width for two viewers to watch the 3-dimentional image at the same time. Assuming that a distance between eyes is 6.5cm, at least 13 images having different viewing directions are required in order to form the 80cm width viewing zones. Therefore, there is a technical limitation in that the number of the images having different viewing directions as well as the size of the projection lens should be continuously increased because the viewing zone size should be steadily increased by over 40cm in order to increase the number of viewers at the same time.

Accordingly, the method to expand the size of the viewing zone among various methods for multi-viewer is not efficient comparing with the method increasing the number of the viewing zones.

In addition, multi-exposure hologram using the holographic screen also has some problems in a screen brightness because the diffraction efficiency decreases in an inverse proportion to a root value of the number of the multi-exposure.

## **DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION**

5

10

15

20

The present invention is designed to solve the above problems. Therefore, an object of the present invention is to provide a 3-dimentional imaging screen for multiviewer which maintains a proper screen brightness on the single screen such that a plurality of viewers can watch the screen at the same time, and which configures the number of the viewing zones according to the number of the viewers.

The object of the present invention is accomplished by providing a

configuration of a screen, which can make the number of the viewing zone increased, resulting that the multi-viewer may watch the 3-dimentional image simultaneously.

4

The technical spirit of the present invention is achieved by using a prism panel together with a 3-dimentional image projection screen, in which the prism panel consists of an 1-dimentional or 2-dimentional array of prism cells which can disperse a projected image to each direction determined by each pixel.

In other words, the 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer which projects an object on the screen such that viewers watch a 3-dimentional image, wherein the screen comprises a 3-dimentional image projection screen positioned to a direction of an incident beam of the image, and a prism panel is formed with prism cell having a plurality of disperse surfaces of the incident beam on a rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen, whereby the number of viewing zones is corresponding to the number of the disperse surfaces of the prism cell.

10

15

20

The prism panel is coupled to the rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen, and the 3-dimentional image projection screen has enough thickness not to generate an interference effect such as a moir\_interference pattern.

The prism panel is installed to the rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen having a predetermined distance therebetween, and the distance between the 3-dimentional image projection screen and the prism panel is properly spaced apart not to generate the interference effect such as a moir\_ interference pattern.

The prism panel is formed and integrated to the rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen in a emboss or engrave manner, and the 3-dimentional image projection screen has enough thickness not to generate the interference effect such as moir\_interference pattern.

5

10

15

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Other objects, features and advantages of the present invention will become more apparent from the description of a preferable embodiment with reference to the drawings, in which;

- FIG. 1 is for showing a principle of forming a viewing zone of an image projection screen having characteristics of a spherical reflective panel,
- FIG. 2 is for showing a principle of forming a viewing zone of an image projection screen having characteristics of a lens,
- FIGs. 3A, 3B and 3C show configurations of prism panels in accordance with one embodiment of the present invention,
- FIG. 4 shows configurations of various types of prisms forming a prism panel of the present invention,
- FIG. 5 shows a configuration of a 3-viewing zone prism panel according to another embodiment of the present invention,
- FIG. 6 shows a configuration of a 7-viewing zone prism panel according to still another embodiment of the present invention,
- FIGs. 7A and 7B are for illustrating an embodiment of 3-dimentional image screen for multi-viewer of the present invention, and
- FIG. 8 is for showing still another embodiment of 3-dimentional image screen for multi-viewer of the present invention.

## **BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION**

Hereinafter, configurations and operations of embodiments of the invention

6

will be described with the reference to the accompanying drawings in detail. First of all, for the best understanding of the present invention, there will be explained a principle for forming a viewing zone in the image projection system.

FIG. 1 is for showing how the viewing zone is formed in case of projecting an image on an image projection screen having characteristics of a spherical reflective mirror.

5

10

15

20

As shown in FIG. 1, the image displayed on an image display screen 2 of an image generating unit 1 is projected on the image projection screen 6 through a projection lens 3. The image 5 projected on the image projection screen 6 can be watched by viewers in an area, where an image of an egress opening unit 4 of the projection lens 3 is shown up by way of the image projection screen 6. The area where the image of the egress opening unit 4 of the projection lens 3 is shown is called a viewing zone.

FIG. 2 is for showing a principle how the viewing zone is formed in case of projecting image on an image projection screen having lens characteristics.

As shown in FIG. 2, a first object 10 and a second object 11 are shown as images 16, 17 of projection lens 12, 13 and egress opening units 14, 15 respectively onto an image projection screen 18. The image projection screen 18 forms the images of the egress opening units 14, 15 of the projection lens 12, 13 on a first viewing zone 19 and a second viewing zone 20.

- FIG. 3A is for illustrating a configuration of a prism panel applied to a 3-dimentional image projection screen of the present invention.
- FIG. 3B is for illustrating a reflection effect of an incident beam according to a configuration of a prism cell, in case that the prism cell is a reflective type.

10

15

20

FIG. 3C shows a configuration of a prism cell having a disperse surface of an incident beam corresponding to the number of required viewing zones.

As shown in FIG. 3A, the prism panel 30 of the present invention has an 1-dimentional or 2-dimentional arrangement in which the prism cells 31 are in contact each other for dispersing the incident beam 32 to different directions.

As shown in FIG. 3B, when the prism cell 31 is in use of reflection, a surface 35 of the prism cell should be coated to reflect the incident beam completely. The number of the disperse surfaces in the prism cell 31 is corresponding to the number of the required viewing zones as shown in FIG. 3, and the surfaces are in contact each other at a constant angle.

Referring to FIG. 3B, reflection and transmission characteristics of the incident beam is explained now in either case that the prism cell is a reflective type and transmitting type.

When the prism cell is a spherical reflective type, a front surface 36 of the prism, or two disperse surfaces 38, 39 which are not parallel to the incident surface of the beam are symmetric to a normal direction of the prism panel 30 and when an angle therebetween is  $\theta$ , the beam 34 on the paper plane incident at an angle  $\alpha$  to the normal direction 33 is reflected at an angle of  $[180^{\circ}-\theta+\alpha]$  to the normal direction 33 on the disperse surface 38 and is reflected at the angle of  $[180^{\circ}-\theta-\alpha]$  on the disperse surface 39. And the beam 34 is reflected at an  $\alpha$  angle on the disperse surface 37 parallel to the front surface 36 of the prism. Therefore, preferably, the angle  $\theta$  should be as close as 180° in order to remove the reflection effect generating between the disperse surfaces.

In addition, in case that the prism cell is a transmitting type, the surface 35 of the prism cell 31 does not require the reflective coating. In that case, if the refractivity

5

10

15

20

of the prism cell is n, a transmitting angle of the incident beam to the disperse surface is  $\sin^{-1}\{n \cos(\theta/2-\alpha)\}$  in case of the disperse surface 38 of the FIG. 3b, and  $\sin^{-1}\{n \cos(\theta/2+\alpha)\}$  in case of the disperse surface 39 and  $\sin^{-1}(n \sin \alpha)$  in case of the disperse surface 37. Accordingly, the position of each viewing zone can become closer or farther in accordance with the angle  $\theta$ .

8

In accordance with the reflecting or transmitting characteristics of the prism cell, positions of various directions and the number of the viewing zones which are required for forming the viewing zone of the 3-dimentional imaging screen for multiviewer, may be determined.

FIG. 4 is for illustrating various types of prism cells applied to the 3-dimensional image screen for multi-viewer of the present invention.

When requiring the viewing zone to be positioned in a vertical or horizontal direction, the prism cells can be applied to have various embossing or engraving shapes according to the number of the viewing zones. In other words, when the number of the viewing zones is 2, the prism cell has a triangle shape (a), when the number of the viewing zones is 3, the prism cell has a dove shape (b), when the number of the viewing zones is 4, the prism cell has a tetragonal type (d), when the number of the viewing zones is 5, the prism cell has a pentagonal type (d), and etc. The length of the prisms is at least the same as or longer than the height of the image projection screen. In addition, it is preferred that the width of the prism cells is narrower than a width of one pixel which is projected on the image projection screen in case that the prism cell has 2-dimentional arrangement. It is the reason that the resolution thereof would be degraded when the width is larger than a single pixel size. However, the width and the number of the disperse surfaces should be selected to minimize the diffraction

10

15

20

phenomena because the viewing zone of each viewing point can be overlapped by the diffraction according to each disperse surface in case of multi-viewing zone image when a pitch or width of the disperse surface is too small.

Additionally, in case of requiring that the position of the viewing zone is to be formed to vertical, horizontal and middle directions at the same time, the prism cell has types of a truncated triangular pyramid (e), a truncated tetragonal pyramid (f), a truncated pentagonal pyramid (g), a truncated hexagonal pyramid (h),\_, and etc. having various embossing and engraving shapes according to the required number of viewing zones. In this case, the projection on the respective disperse surface should be applied to have same area in order to maintain the same brightness of each viewing zone. And it is preferred that the width of the prism cell is smaller than a width of a single pixel of an image projected on the image projection screen in case that the prism cell has 2-dimentional arrangement. When the width is larger than a single pixel, the resolution is degraded. However, because, when a pitch or the width of the disperse surface is too small, the viewing zones can be overlapped owing to a diffraction of each disperse surface in a multi-viewing case, the width and the number of the disperse surface should be selected to minimize the diffracting phenomena.

FIG. 5 shows an example in which the prism cell in an 1-dimensional arrangement has a 3-viewing zone prism panel according to another embodiment of the present invention. By way of the prism panel 40 of FIG. 5, the prism cell 41 of a truncated triangular pyramid type having various embossing and engraving shapes has an 1-dimentional arrangement such that it is capable of generating the 3 viewing zone to a desired vertical or horizontal direction.

FIG. 6 shows an example in which the prism cell in a 2-dimentional

arrangement has a 7-viewing zone panel according to still another embodiment of the present invention. According to a prism panel 50 of FIG. 6, the prism cell 51 of a truncated hexagonal pyramid (h) type having various embossing and engraving shapes has a 2-dimentional arrangement in order to form 7-viewing zones in upper, lower, left, right and center directions which are determined by a relative positions of the disperse surfaces in the prism cell 51. In this case, the prism panel can be rotated to form the viewing zone to a desired direction. And an angle between the prism cells should be near to 180° in order not to cause the reflection effect therebetween.

5

10

15

20

10

Now, it will be explained about configurations and operations of embodiments of the 3-dimentional image screen for multi-viewer which employs a prism panel having prism cells applied to the 3-dimentional image screen for multi-viewer of the present invention, in detail.

FIGs. 7A and 7B show embodiments that the viewing zone is formed by a prism panel having a reflective coating and a 3-dimentional image screen for multiviewer of the present invention.

The screen of the present invention shown in FIG. 7 comprises an object 60 to be projected, a projection lens 61 installed apart from the object 60 at a constant distance, an egress opening unit 62 installed adjacent to a projecting direction of the projection lens 61, a 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 for transmission installed opposite to and apart from the object 60 at a constant distance, and a prism panel 66 formed by prism cells 68 coupled to an even surface which is a rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64.

The 3-dimentional image projection screen is made by a transparent material such as a flannel lens or a projective holographic screen. In addition, the prism cell 68

11

of the prism panel 66 is configured by arranging the prism cell having the truncated triangular pyramid (e) type for generating a 3-viewing zone in an 1-dimentional arrangement.

5

10

15

20

To describe an operation of generating a viewing zone on the screen of the present invention having the above configuration, a beam for the object 60 projected by the light source (not shown in figure) is focused and diffused through the projection lens 61 and the egress opening unit 62 and then projected as an image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64. The beam providing the projected image 63 on the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 is reflective by the disperse surfaces 69, 70, 71 of the respective prism cell 68 of the prism panel 66 coupled to the rear of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64, then is dispersed to 3 other directions in order to form an image of the egress opening 62, or the viewing zone, in a position of the projection lens 61. In this case, the first viewing zone 72 is form by the disperse surface 71 of the prism cell 68, the second viewing zone 73 is formed by the disperse surface 69, and the third viewing zone 74 is formed by the disperse surface 70.

In order to move a position of the viewing zone in this case, a thickness of the prism panel 66 is not constant, but can be decreased or increased to a width or height direction. In other words, the position of the viewing zone is moved proportional to a change of thickness of the prism panel.

In addition, the prism panel 66 is coupled to the even rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 of the 3-dimentional image screen for multi-viewer in order to form the above viewing zone, referring to FIG. 7a. It is not concerned that the screen 64 may be coupled to an even surface of the prism panel 66 or to a surface of the prism panel having the embossing and engraving shapes. It is the

reason that the surface having the embossing and engraving shapes of the prism cell has a reflective coating formed on a surface thereof, in case of reflective type.

12

Additionally, it is possible to form the prism cell on the even rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 by embossing or engraving the even rear surface. In this case, the thickness of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 should be enough not to have the moir\_interference pattern.

5

10

15

20

The 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 and the prism panel 66 may be contacted each other or be apart from each other having a constant distance. When requiring the constant distance between the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 and the prism panel 66, the distance should be adjusted properly not to have an interference effect such as moir\_ interference pattern which may be generated on the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64 by the reflective beam of the disperse surface of the prism cell according to the configuration of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 64.

FIG. 8 is for illustrating how the viewing zone is generated by the configuration of the 3-dimentional image screen for multi-viewer when the screen is a transmitting type.

Referring to FIG. 8, the screen comprises an object 80 to be projected, a projection lens 81 installed apart from the object 80 at a constant distance, an egress opening unit 82 installed adjacent to a projecting direction of the projection lens 81, a 3-dimentional image projection screen 84 installed apart from the object 80 at a constant distance, and a prism panel 85 formed by a transmitting prism cell coupled to a rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen 84.

The type, configuration and coupling state of the 3-dimentional image

13

projection screen 84 and the prism panel 85 are identical to those in FIGs. 7A and 7B. However, it is different only in this point not to form a reflective coating on the surface of the prism cell such that the prism cell serves in a transmitting type.

Accordingly, the viewing zones are formed at an opposite position to the projection lens 81 by the projection screen of the present invention. That is, it can be seen that the first viewing zone 86, the second viewing zone 87, and the third viewing zone 88 are created at a position constant apart from the prism panel in a predetermined distance.

5

10

15

20

As described above, by coupling the 3-dimentional image screen, comprised by the flannel lens or the projective holographic screen and various types of the prism cells, on the prism panel having the 1-dimentional or 2-dimentional arrangement, the present invention provides an advantage that the number of viewing zones and the location can be formed according to the prism cell, as desired. And also, according to the screen of the present invention, it may be efficient that the multi-viewer may watch the image on the single screen without any damage of the resolution of the display by configuring the size of the disperse surface of the prism cell after determining and adjusting relationship with the size of the single pixel of the image.

The present invention is not limited to the specifically disclosed embodiments, and variations and modifications may be made without departing from the scope of the present invention.

10

15

20

## What is claimed is:

- 1. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer which projects an object on the screen such that viewers watch a 3-dimentional image, the screen comprising:
- a 3-dimentional image projection screen positioned to a direction of an incident beam of the image, and
- a prism panel formed with prism cell having a plurality of disperse surfaces of the incident beam on a rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen,
- whereby the number of viewing zones is corresponding to the number of the disperse surfaces of the prism cell.
- 2. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the prism panel is coupled to the rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen, and the 3-dimentional image projection screen has enough thickness not to generate an interference effect such as a moir\_interference pattern.
- 3. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the prism panel is installed to the rear surface of the 3-dimentional image projection screen having a predetermined distance therebetween, and the distance between the 3-dimentional image projection screen and the prism panel is properly spaced apart not to generate the interference effect such as a moir\_interference pattern.
  - 4. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim

1, wherein the prism panel is formed and integrated to the rear surface of the 3-

dimentional image projection screen in a emboss or engrave manner, and the 3-

15

dimentional image projection screen has enough thickness not to generate the

interference effect such as moir\_interference pattern.

5

15

20

5. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the prism panel is configured by that the prism cell of which a size is corresponding to a size of one pixel of the projected image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen is formed in an emboss or engrave manner in an 1-dimentional

10 arrangement.

- 6. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 5, wherein a height of the prism cell is equal to or higher than a height of the 3-dimentional image projection screen, and a width of the prism cell is equal to or narrower than a width of one pixel of the projected image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen.
- 7. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 5, wherein the width of the prism cell is wider than the width of the pixel of the projected image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen.
  - 8. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 5, wherein the prism cell is configured into one of a triangular prism, a dove prism, a tetragonal prism, a pentagonal prism, a hexagonal prism, etc., according to the number

15

20

of required viewing zones.

- 9. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the prism panel is configured by that the prism cell of which a size is corresponding to a size of one pixel of the projected image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen is formed in an emboss or engrave manner in a 2-dimentional arrangement.
- 10. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim
   9, wherein a sectional area of the prism cell is equal to or smaller than area of the pixel of the projected image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen.
  - 11. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 9, wherein a sectional area of the prism cell is greater than area of the pixel of the projected image on the 3-dimentional image projection screen.
  - 12. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 9, wherein the prism cell is configured into one of a triangular prism, a tetragonal prism, a pentagonal prism, a hexagonal prism, etc., according to the number of required viewing zones.
  - 13. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 12, wherein a thickness of the prism panel is constant or the thickness of the prism panel is decreased or increased in a constant ratio to a width or height

direction.

14. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim 13, wherein the prism cell has a reflective coating formed on a surface thereof.

5

15. A 3-dimentional imaging screen for multi-viewer as claimed in claim14, wherein an angle between the disperse surfaces in prism cell is near to 180 degrees.

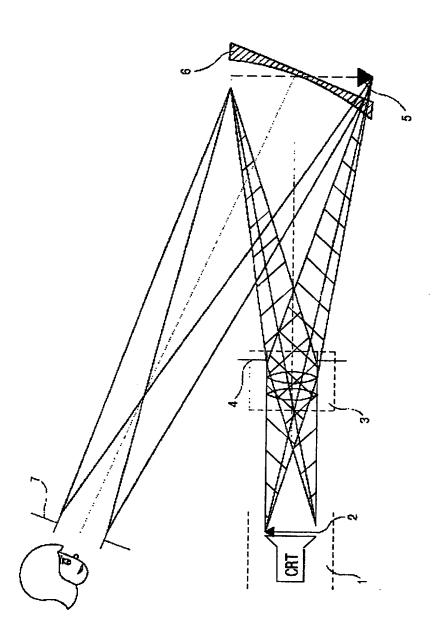


FIG. 1

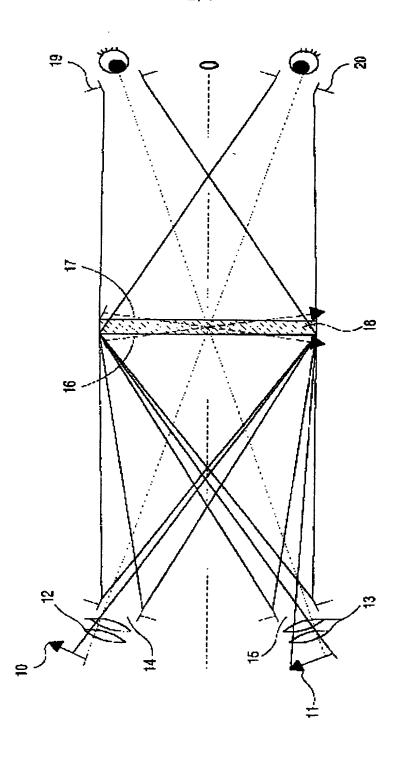


FIG. 2

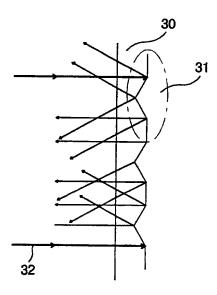


FIG. 3A

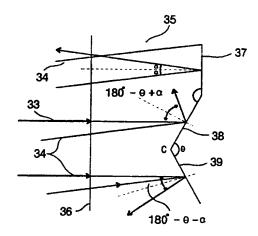


FIG. 3B

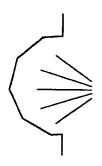


FIG. 3C

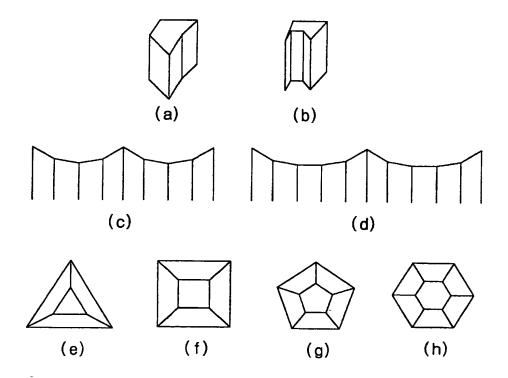


FIG. 4

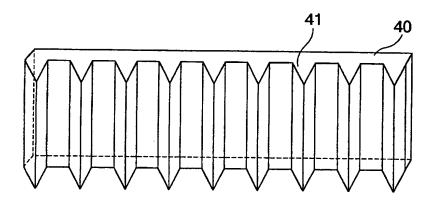


FIG. 5

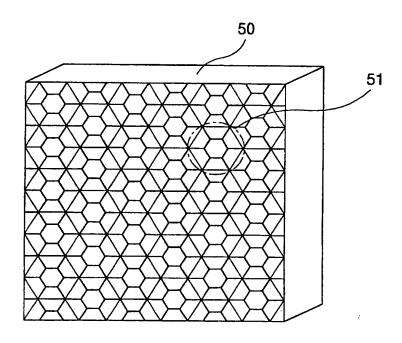


FIG. 6

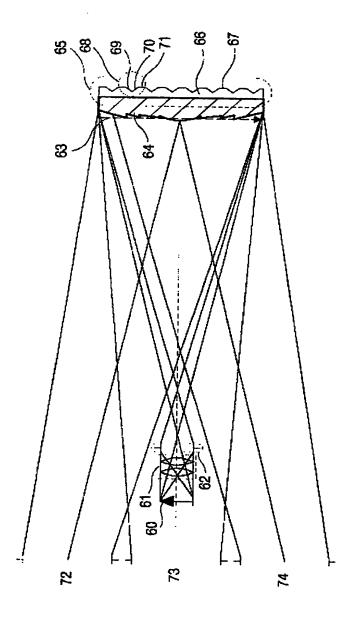


FIG. 7A



FIG. 7B

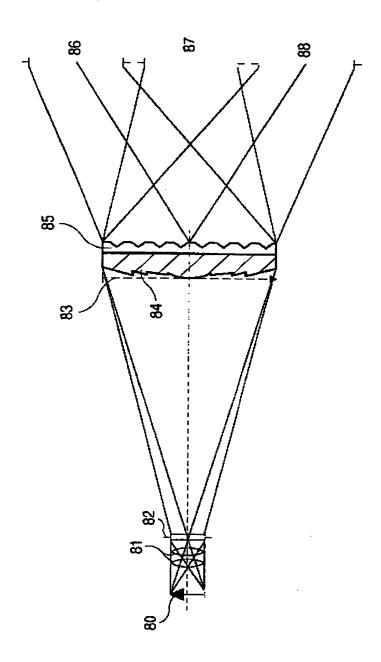


FIG. 8